

Dear Community Partner,

We hope you enjoy the September edition of the City of Janesville's Community Advocate Update, which is filled with the latest information about exciting happenings here in Janesville!

Resident Satisfaction Survey: Share your story, shape our future! Janesville residents can now take the 2021 Resident Satisfaction Survey by visiting www.janesvillewi.gov/survey. Results from this survey will be an informative tool for the City Council and staff when gauging community priorities and benchmarking city service delivery. It will also help communicate the community's vision for the future as the City makes crucial decisions moving forward. Please share this opportunity with your constituents. A poster highlighting the survey is available on the second page of this document.

2021 Coolest Thing Made in Janesville: Voting is now open for the City's Coolest Thing Made in Janesville contest. This annual competition, celebrating Manufacturing Month in October, allows the community to vote for their favorite thing being made right here in Wisconsin's Park Place! The contest winner will have their product crowned "Coolest Thing Made in Janesville" at a City Council meeting in November. Vote for your favorite Janesville-made items now at www.janesvillewi.gov/coolestthing.

Fourth Ward Park Improvements: The City's oldest park will soon see some significant improvements as the City brings a new hexagon steel pavilion and basketball half-court to Fourth Ward Park. Volunteers will also construct a new "Born Learning Trail" in the park on September 22 as a part of the United Way's Day of Caring. These trails encourage early learning opportunities for children with interactive activity signs. Learn more about this innovative engagement project on the United Way Blackhawk Region's website.

JTS Offers Fall Semester Passes for JSD Students: With the Janesville School District's academic year now underway, JTS is happy to announce that fall semester passes are available at the middle and high schools in Janesville. Semester passes cost \$120.00 and provide unlimited in-city rides for Janesville School District middle and high school students. For questions about the semester pass or youth token program, visit the JTS website or call (608) 755-3150.

Park Place Views September Episode: Park Place Views is joined by HPL Director Bryan McCormick for its September episode. Library Director McCormick discusses HPL's response to COVID-19, trends in the library world, and the library's busy summer of community programs and events. Watch the episode throughout the month on JATV or anytime on the JATV <u>YouTube page</u>.

Growing Janesville: Earlier this month, The U.S. Census Bureau released its 2020 U.S. Census results, finding that Janesville has 65,615 residents. This is an increase of 2,040 residents from the 2010 U.S. Census! Read more about this exciting news on the City's <u>website</u>.

Upcoming Events & Activities

- Statewide Rock River Clean-Up: For a fourth year, the City will partner with the Rock River Stormwater Group, Protect Wisconsin Waterways, and UW-Whitewater students on Saturday, September 11 at 10 a.m., to host a river clean-up event in conjunction with waterway clean-up efforts across the Rock River watershed. The City of Janesville clean-up will occur near Monterey Park, 501 Rockport Road. Find more information and register on the Protect Wisconsin Waterways website!
- 9/11 20th Anniversary Ceremony: The Janesville Fire Department will join in the remembrance of the 20th anniversary of the September 11 attacks with a ceremony at the City's 9/11 Memorial on Saturday, September 11 at 8 a.m. Located in Firehouse Park, 101 N. Main Street, the memorial features a steel beam from the World Trade Center. It honors the firefighters, police officers, and paramedics who lost their lives in the attacks on our nation. You can view the 2011 Memorial dedication on JATV's YouTube Page.

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2021 RESIDENT SATISFACTION SURVEY

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- COMMUNITY PRIORITIES
- QUALITY OF LIFE

AND OFFER YOUR VISION FOR JANESVILLE'S FUTURE!

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